

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING
August 11, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Thursday, August 11, 2011 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Margaret Ruf called the meeting to order at 9:03 A. M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Donald Splinter, Mark Stead, Pat Schroeder, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Vern Lewison asked to be excused. Also present was County Board Chairman John Patcle and Dave & Cindra Riemenapp.

David Lambert reported that the meeting had been properly noticed by being posted in the Administration Building, Highway Office, and sent to the radio news.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Donald Splinter, moved to pay Vouchers #642 thru #778. Motion carried.

David began the Supervisors Reports by again discussing an encroachment issue on County right-of-way in the Village of Mt. Hope. Austin Engineering surveyed the property and it appears the planter is approximately two feet out on the ROW instead of the seven feet originally reported. Mr. Riemenapp said that they would not have put the planter where it is if they would have known it was being built on County ROW. Commissioner Lambert recommended that the Committee do nothing.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the recommendation of the Highway Commissioner and do nothing regarding the encroachment of a planter on County right-of-way on the Riemenapp property in the Village of Mt. Hope. Motion carried by majority vote. Mark Stead voted no.

David reported that he had sent a letter to Adam DuCharme concerning parking on CTH "A" across from the salvage yard on the west side of Lancaster. Parking complaints had been received from the residents of the Three Springs Subdivision.

For the first six months of 2011, Grant County was \$144,184.17 in the red for the maintenance work that we provided on the State Highway System.

David noted that he will be putting in a line item for the 2012 budget in the amount of \$12,000.00 for the cost of Springbrook training for the Highway Dept.. Other departments used up the transportation costs that were included in the original contract.

State Highway Maintenance Projects:

- Hwy 81 - Through Beetown, paving begins today 8/11/11.
- Hwy 81 - Bridge near Ellenboro on schedule, Town has patched Ellenboro Road.
- Hwy 61 - Dickeyville to Lancaster, lots of work, hard to predict where work is being done.
- Hwy 133 - Potosi to Burton "N", Wedging and Seal Coat using County forces is complete, with many windshield claims.

County Highway Maintenance Projects:

- CTH "A" - Paving is complete, gravel shoulders and painting centerline need to be done.
- CTH "U" & "V" - Dirtwork & Structures are complete. The mill schedule has changed numerous times with the latest date given Monday, August 29, 2011.

Highland "Q" - Dirt work is near complete. Top soil, seeding, and mulching to be finished.

Seal Coats - CTH "D" south of Platteville is complete as well as CTH "A" near Bagley.
- CTH "N" west of Lancaster will be completed next Monday & Tuesday.

David reported a tractor and mower had tipped on its side. There was damage to the mower & power t/off shaft but no damage to the tractor and cab.

At approximately 10:00 A.M. Travis Kramer opened the Bids for the Reconstruction of CTH "HHH" thru Kieler. Joining the Committee for the bid opening were Tom Mercer from Iverson Construction, Dan Pustina from Pustina Construction, Charles Wamsley from Wamsley Excavating, and Luke Wiederholt from Owen's Excavating & Trucking. The as-read bid results are as follows:

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| Rule Construction - Dodgeville | \$757,130.90 |
| Pustina Construction - Cobb | \$760,280.00 |
| Wamsley Excavating - Cassville | \$620,422.80 |
| Owen's Excavating & Trucking - Hazel Green | \$637,887.50 |

Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to have the bids reviewed and that if everything is in order that the low bid from Wamsley Excavating be approved. Motion carried.

Robert Keeney arrived at the meeting.

Mark Stead, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to adjourn at 10:11 A.M. to Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Stead, Secretary